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Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have a proposal to privatise some of its major ports;

(b) if so, the ports identified for privatisation;

(c) the steps taken in that direction;

(d) the reasons for privatising these major ports for privatisation;

(e) whether Paradeep Port is under consideration for privatisation; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a) to (f) No, Sir. However, in order to attract additional investment and new technology, introducing better managerial practices & foster strategic alliances for creation of optimal port infrastructure, private sector participation is sought in identified areas within the existing Major Ports in terms of Guidelines issued on 26-10-1996 and 1-6-1998.